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IMMEDIATE RELEASE

AIR FREIGHT UP 2.5% IN OCTOBER

WASHINGTON, D.C., December 14, 1990 -- Air freight increased 2.5 percent in October, compared with October a year ago, and was also up 2.1 percent in the first ten months of this year, the Air Transport Association reported today.

Domestic air freight in October rose 1.5 percent. Mail increased 10.5 percent, and total domestic cargo, including freight and mail, registered a gain of 3.3 percent.

International air freight in October was up 3.5 percent. Mail rose 16.5 percent, and total cargo increased 4.5 percent.

In the first ten months of the year, domestic air freight had a gain of 2.1 percent, mail increased 4.9 percent, and total cargo was up 2.6 percent.

International freight during the first ten months increased 2.2 percent, mail was up 5.6 percent, and total cargo was up 2.5 percent.

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PRELIMINARY CARGO TRAFFIC STATISTICS
U.S. SCHEDULED AIRLINE INDUSTRY (1)

REVENUE TON-MILES
(In Thousands)

		DOMESTIC OPERATIONS			INTERNATIONAL OPERATIONS			TOTAL	TOTAL
		FREIGHT	MAIL	TOTAL	FREIGHT	MAIL	TOTAL	FREIGHT	CARGO
OCTOBER	1990	450,805	117,936	568,741	480,753	47,035	527,788	931,558	1,096,529
OCTOBER	1989	444,107	106,682	550,789	464,645	40,383	505,028	908,752	1,055,817
PERCENT CHANGE		1.5	10.5	3.3	3.5	16.5	4.5	2.5	3.9
10 MONTHS	1990	4,109,677	1,102,484	5,212,161	4,346,531	405,153	4,751,684	8,456,208	9,963,845
10 MONTHS	1989	4,027,014	1,050,652	5,077,666	4,252,348	383,723	4,636,071	8,279,362	9,713,737
PERCENT CHANGE		2.1	4.9	2.6	2.2	5.6	2.5	2.1	2.6

Notes : January thru September mail data has been revised. Freight, Mail, and Cargo Traffic is revised to include Midway.

Carriers included : Alaska, Aloha, American, Braniff, Continental, Delta, Eastern, Federal Express, Hawaiian, Midway, Northwest, Pan American, Southwest, Trans World, United, and USAir.

PRELIMINARY CARGO TRAFFIC STATISTICS
SYSTEM OPERATIONS

REVENUE TON-MILES
(In Thousands)

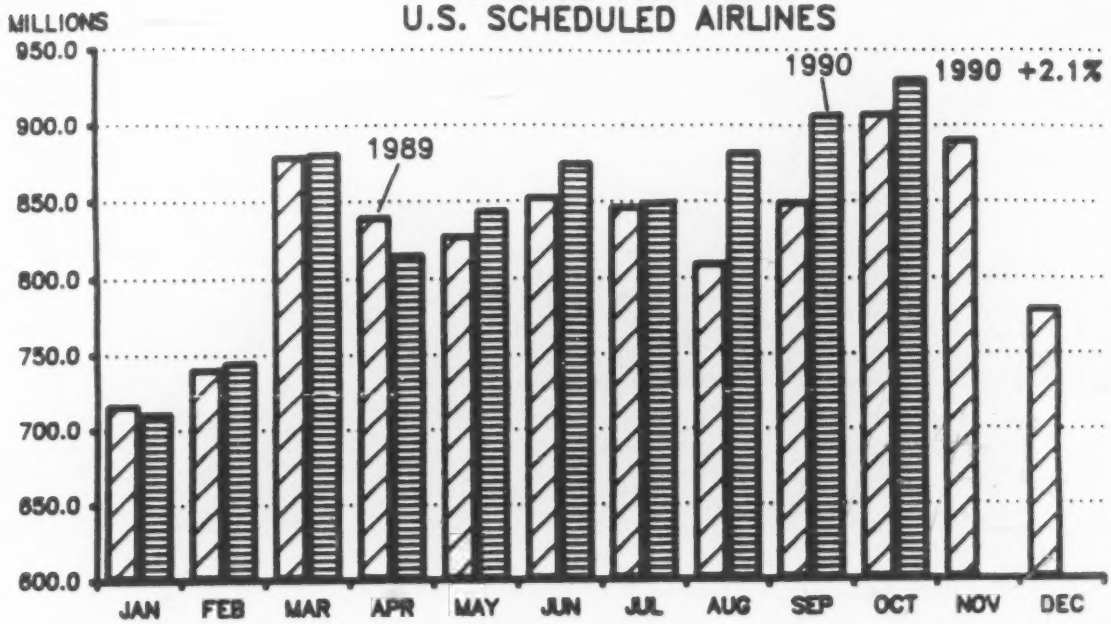
MONTH	FREIGHT	MAIL	TOTAL CARGO
1989			
January	717,432	142,815	860,247
February	741,550	136,212	877,762
March	880,183	160,251	1,040,434
April	840,723	147,713	988,436
May	828,462	140,949	969,411
June	853,522	141,122	994,644
July	847,624	132,344	979,968
August	810,838	147,703	958,541
September	850,276	138,201	988,477
October	908,752	147,065	1,055,817
November	891,341	155,788	1,047,129
December	780,114	239,787	1,019,901
TOTAL 1989	9,950,817	1,829,950	11,780,767
Jan – Oct 1989	8,279,362	1,434,375	9,713,737
1990			
January	712,700	152,242	864,942
February	746,482	141,299	887,781
March	882,737	162,639	1,045,376
April	816,977	149,171	966,148
May	845,752	150,879	996,631
June	876,262	145,564	1,021,826
July	851,001	139,270	990,271
August	883,779	153,660	1,037,439
September	908,960	147,942	1,056,902
October	931,558	164,971	1,096,529
TOTAL 1990	8,456,208	1,507,637	9,963,845

PERCENT CHANGE

	FREIGHT	MAIL	TOTAL CARGO
1990/1989 October	2.5	12.2	3.9
Jan – October	2.1	5.1	2.6

FREIGHT

REVENUE TON–MILES
U.S. SCHEDULED AIRLINES



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REVENUE TON–MILES
U.S. SCHEDULED AIRLINES